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Announcements

- Upcoming deadlines:
 - Homework 4 is due on 2/14
 - Lab 4 is due on 2/18
 - Homework 5 is due on 2/21

Previous lecture ...

- Binary Tree Traversal
 - Pre-order
 - In-order
 - Post-order
 - Level order
 - Searching in a BST
- Recursive and iterative

CourseMIRROR Reflections: Most Interesting

- I found the different traversal interesting instead of just a top to bottom concept.
- Giving candies
- The stack implementation was interesting and how it compares to the recursion
- The contour paths of the different traversal types. Very helpful for remember the differences!
- Ways of traversing a BST
- Relating code for traversal with a visual description of what's happening
- how inorder traversal returns the tree in a sorted order

CourseMIRROR Reflections: Most Confusing

- how the stack works in relation to the traversals. The traversals make sense but the order of push and pop does not.
- How the call stack works with traversing (it felt like we went through the material kind of fast)
- if you could provide typed Java code for iterative traversal instead of handwritten pseudocode that would make it more clear to understand
- The post order traversing! I am confused on the place to push, is all of the x will be in the visit listing for next second?
- Developing iterative code from recursive code; how to get from recursive to iterative
- I would like to go over DFS and BFS more

Prefix Searching Problem

- Input:

- a (large) dynamic set of data items in the form of
 - n (key, value) pairs; key is a string from an alphabet of size R
 - Each key has b bits or w characters (the chars are from the alphabet)
 - What is the relationship between b and w ?
- a target *string*

- Output:

- 0: string is not a prefix of nor equal to any of the keys
- 1: string is a prefix of at least one key but not equal to any
- 2: string is not a prefix of any key but is equal to a key
- 3: string is both a prefix of at least one key and equal to one of the keys

Let's create an ADT!

- The Prefix Symbol Table ADT
 - A set of (key, value) pairs
- Operations of the PST ADT
 - insert
 - delete
 - prefixSearch
 - search

Prefix Symbol Table Implementations

- Array
 - Unsorted
 - Sorted
- Linked List
 - Unsorted
 - Sorted
- Binary Search Tree
- Red-Black Binary Search Tree

Digital Search Trees (DSTs)

Instead of looking at less than/greater than, lets go left right based on the bits of the key, so we again have 4 options:

- Node ref is null, k not found
- k is equal to the current node's key, k is found
- current bit of k is 0, continue to left child
- current bit of k is 1, continue to right child

DST example

Insert:

4 0100

3 0011

2 0010

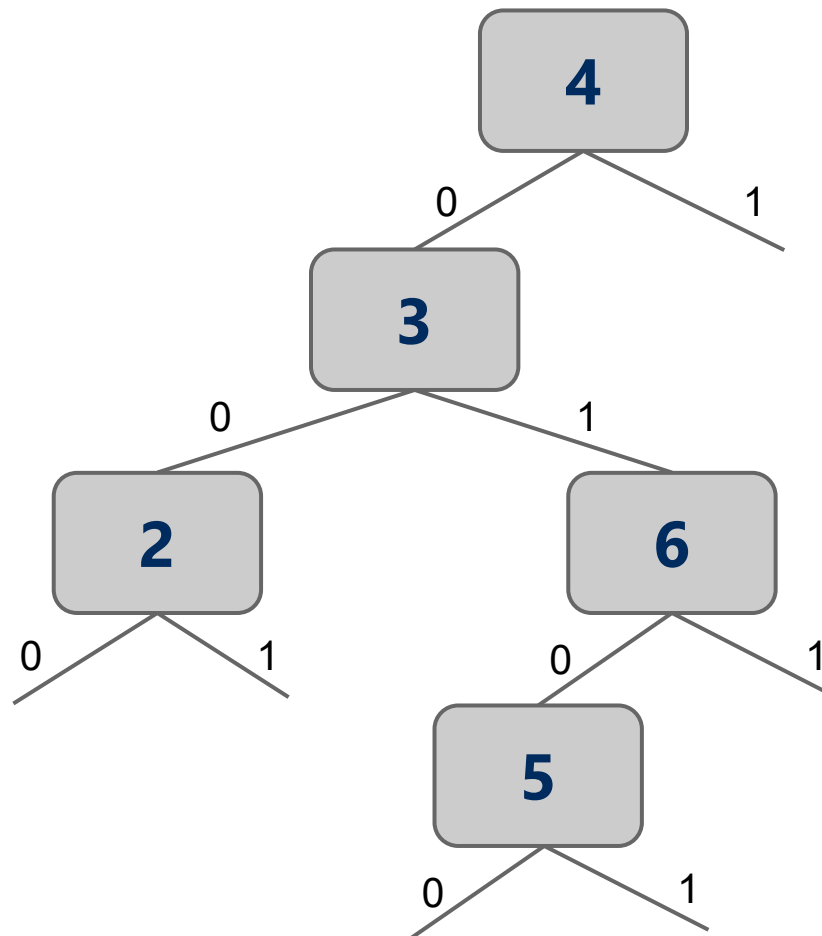
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5 0101

Search:

3 0011

7 0111



Analysis of digital search trees

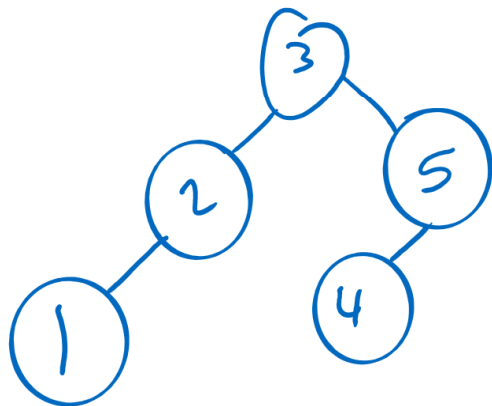
- Runtime?
- We end up doing many comparisons against the full key, can we improve on this?

Average-case vs. Worst-case

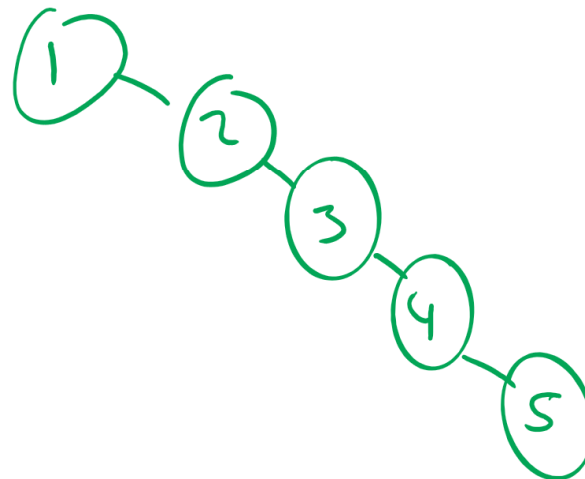
average case runtime = $\sum_{\text{all cases}} P(\text{Case}_i) \times \text{runtime for Case}_i$

$\frac{1}{\# \text{ cases}}$

→ 3, 2, 5, 4, 1



1, 2, 3, 4, 5



n vs. bit length

000 |
00 | |
010 |
011 |
100 |
101 |
110 |
11 |

$$mn \text{ \# bits} = \lceil \log_2 n \rceil$$

$b \geq \lceil \log_2 n \rceil$

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Radix search tries (RSTs)

- Trie as in re**trie**ve, pronounced the same as “try”
- Instead of storing keys as nodes in the tree, we store them implicitly as paths down the tree
 - Interior nodes of the tree only serve to direct us according to the bitstring of the key
 - Values can then be stored at the end of key’s bit string path

RST example

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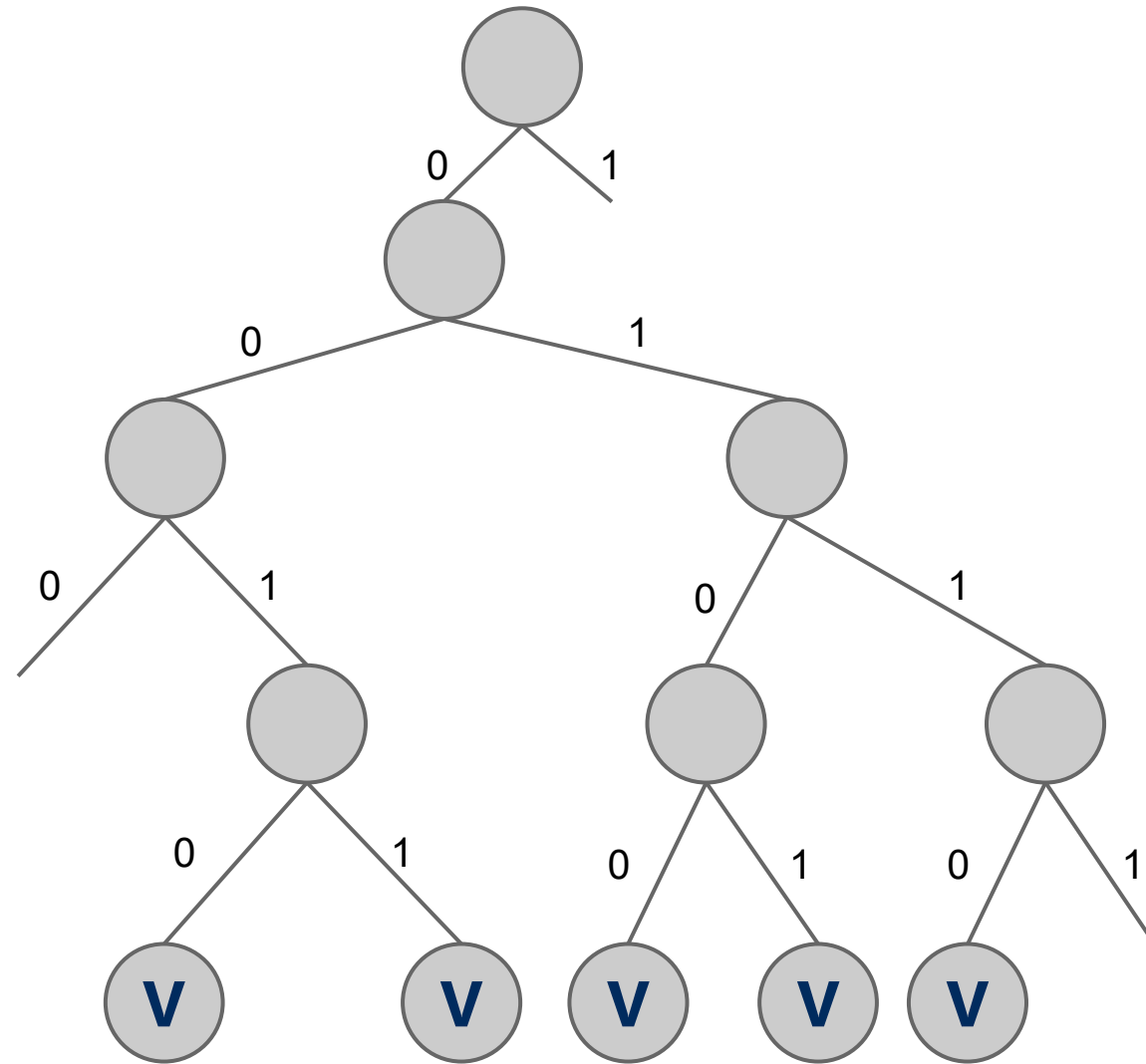
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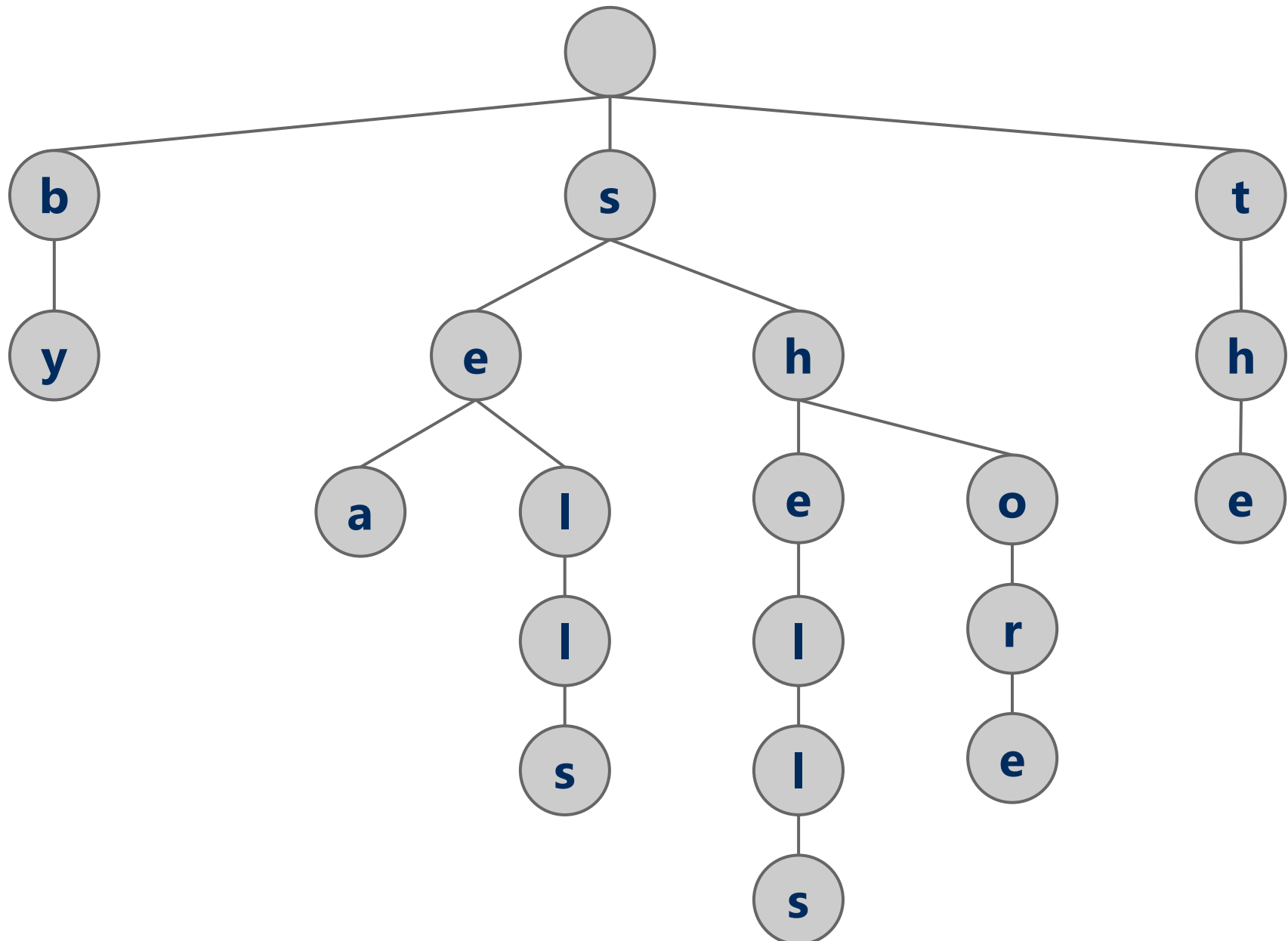
RST analysis

- Runtime?
- Would this structure work as well for other key data types?
 - Characters?
 - Strings?

Larger branching factor tries

- In our binary-based Radix search trie, we considered one bit at a time
- What if we applied the same method to characters in a string?
 - What would this new structure look like?
- Let's try inserting the following strings into an trie:
 - she, sells, sea, shells, by, the, sea, shore

Another trie example



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